



MISSOURI ETHICS COMMISSION

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James Klahr
Executive Director

March 9, 2016

Patrick Miller, Mayor
City of Bethany
206 N 16th St
Bethany MO 64424

Re: File No. 15-0065-I

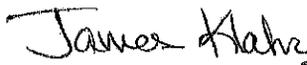
Dear Mr. Miller:

The Missouri Ethics Commission considered the complaint filed against you at its March 8, 2016 meeting. The complaint alleged that you violated Bethany city ordinances and Chapter 105, RSMo, when the city approved a bid for Community Development services because the person providing these services is a relative of yours. The complaint suggests that you may have disclosed confidential information during the bid process.

In reviewing this complaint, the Commission determined that you did not violate local ordinances or Section 105.452, RSMo. The Mayor and City Council may appoint certain officials but the city is also able to enter into contracts for these services. Moreover, evidence established that the City Administrator, not the Mayor, handled the bidding documents. There is no evidence that you provided any confidential information regarding the bidding process. Finally, you did not cast a vote regarding the contract.

The Commission finds no reasonable grounds to support a violation of either local ordinance or Chapter 105, RSMo, and is dismissing the complaint.

Sincerely,


James Klahr
Executive Director

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2/10/2016